

2020 TURLEY "JUDGE BELL" ZINFANDEL, AMADOR COUNTY

HISTORY

As our Amador winery is located on Bell Road, we named this wine for the eponymous (and notorious) Judge Bell, who presided over the nearby town of Plymouth during its Gold Rush heyday. Harking from own-rooted vines planted in 1907, the wine shows quintessential Amador granitic tannins and briary fruits.

TASTING NOTES

Ungrafted vines planted 1907 in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Primarily spice-driven, with savory notes of garrigue, red rose petals, red fruits, and crushed stone. Deeply pleasurable texture, medium-bodied and chock full of spice and well-integrated granitic tannins; a phenomenal pairing with game birds like pheasant or quail. Light decant and/or lay it down for a spell and will drink well at 55°-60°F.

AVA: Amador County

Sub-AVA: Shenandoah Valley

Soil: Granitic, Volcanic

Planted: 1907

Varieties planted: Zinfandel Viticulture: Head-trained, dryfarmed, ungrafted, hand harvested

Fermentation: Native yeast Barrels: 80% used oak, 20% new 80% French oak, 20% American

Aging: 15 months in barrel Bottled unfined and unfiltered First Turley Vintage: 2011

Alcohol: 15.6%

Serving Temp: 55-60°F

Release: Fall 2022



